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(For Disposal at a Meeting)

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.
(Clause v of the Schedule).

Resignation tendered by Dr. Radhakumad Mookerji, Prof. of History, Maharaja's College.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,
B. Ramaswamy
Chief Secretary to Government.

15th September 1921.

Extraordinary Member of Council.

First Member of Council. Seen.

~~Second~~ 3rd Member of Council. 16/9/21

~~Third~~ 2nd Member of Council. Seen
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Letter No 803 of 28 July 1921 from the Regr, Mysore Univ, inviting the application of the Lucknow Univ for the services of Dr Mukerji, Professor

submitted for perusal. The Vice-Chancellor recommends that inducements should be offered to Mr Mukerji to stay where he is. May the members of the Council are willing to let him go, &c.

The chief reason which induces Dr Mukerji to go is the alleged interference of the Principal. His complaint is not and the question of putting the relations between the Principal and the Professors on a better footing seems requires consideration. The view he has expressed in consequence that when there is a whole time Vice Chancellor it is not necessary to have a Principal.

Whether Mr Mukerji will stay or if he is given greater freedom is

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work, with which he may fairly claim to be associated by public opinion.

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Dr Radhakamal Mukerji is no doubt a brilliant scholar and has earned a name for original research work in his domain of economic sociology & politics. His departure will be a great loss to the Lucknow University. But though I appreciate his learning, ability & worth, I do not think that it is right on principle to ask him to sacrifice his interests or even such terms as his Chancellor proposes to offer him. That will create a very bad precedent from an academic point of view. I have consistently held that his services & his offer on undisputable merit and whatever his temporary disadvantage by coming from Lucknow

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of an officer, who should be compelled owing
by his state of his interests of his profession and
special description. It was for this reason
that I voted for the grant of permission to
Dr Pearson Radcliffe to accept the
Professorship of Chemistry in the Calcutta
University: and it was for this reason that
I did not propose his retention in service
of the Army when he expressed a desire
to leave his Medical Service. Both these
gentlemen are brilliant men and have earned
a name in their respective fields
of work. The decoration is not to be
temporary nature and [illegible] Army is
still open. However closely I am
do not think that much difficulty
will be felt in securing the services
of another competent person to
undertake his duty. He may not be a man
of repute in his academic world, but he
will be quite competent to discharge his
duties of a professor of pure physics in
connection with the Army. Even if no man
of any kind could not claim a name as a
research scholar.

As for his proposal for his

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Salary of Rs 900 in the grade of Rs 500 Hon'ble Dr Mukerji is willing to take up an appointment on lesser pay. Even if no Government is prepared to give a higher pay & retain him there is no reason why the Muslim University suffer to be deprived by force of ~~Indian~~ Leaders should not stand in their way. He may be permitted to resign his Imperial service. The Muslim University should when he was employed before consult to Government, did not hesitate to grant with his services and I think we can in no way prevent his acceptance of the Lucknow University.

Sd/
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Yes
30.7.21

Please inform Government permanent and the Vice-Chancellor

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30.7.21

(Hist Menon)

I do not think we need stand in Dr Mukherji's way. He may be permitted to resign service here & accept the offer of the Lucknow University.

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Subject. -

Letter from the Registrar of Lucknow University, for the services of Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji, Prof. of History Maharaja's College.

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OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

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Final Note by the Second Member of Council.

Subject:-

Letter from the Registrar of Lucknow University for the services of Dr. Radhakhumud Mookerji, Professor of History, Maharaja's College.

The Registrar of the Mysore University has submitted for the orders of Government a letter from the Lucknow University stating that it is proposed to appoint Dr. Radhakhumud Mookerji, Professor, Maharaja's College as Reader and Head of the Department of Indian History and Politics in that University on a salary of Rs. 800 per mensem and enquiring whether there is any objection to the appointment. The members of the University Council before whom the papers were placed, are mostly in favour of allowing Dr. Mookerji to accept the offer of the Lucknow University. The Vice Chancellor however, is strongly of opinion that the severence of Dr. Mookerji's connection with the University will be detrimental to its best interests. His reasons for this view and his proposals in the matter are given in the Registrar's letter.

The matter was considered in Council on the 4th instant, when it was thought that the Vice Chancellor's proposals for encouraging research work on the part of the University Professors and also the question of giving them greater independence and freedom in regard to their work deserved to be further considered, and as these appeared to be the most important considerations weighing with Dr. Mookerji, it was decided to ask the Vice Chancellor whether in these circumstances Dr. Mookerji would defer his request.

The proposed draft of a letter to the Registrar on these lines is placed on the file. As this is a matter involving an important question of policy, the draft is submitted to His Highness for gracious approval.

1038 BANGALORE,
13th AUGUST 1921.

MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the Offg. Second *Member of Council on the subject* ~~of~~ viz., letter from the Registrar of Lucknow University for the services of Dr. Radhakhumud Mookerji, Professor of History, Maharaja's College, Mysore, *for His Highness' gracious approval.*

Seshantaraghava

17th Aug, 1921

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Subject.

Letter from the Registrar, Lucknow University, for the services of Dr. Radhakumad Mookerji, Professor of History, Maharaja's College, Mysore.

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Serial No.

To the Registrar, Mysore University

No. 979 dt. 23rd August '21

Referring to his letter No. 8033 28.7.'21 states that Govt. propose taking up the question of encouraging Research work on the part of University Professors & also giving them greater independence & freedom & enquires whether in the circumstances Dr. Mookerji would be prepared to defer his request for a transfer of his Services.

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From the Registrar, Mysore University

No. 257 dt. 25.8.'21.

With reference to the above intimates the conditions under which Dr. Mookerji would be willing to stay in Mysore.

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Subject. -

Improvement of terms and conditions of work of Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji, Prof. of History, Maharaja's College, Mysore.

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OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

a reply may be sent that the question circulated upon a perusal as soon as the proposals of the V.C. are received that being communicated to Mr. 1/9

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Serial No.

To the Registrar Mysore University

No. 1360 dt. 3rd Sept. 21

State that the question of improving the status of University Professors will be taken up by Govt. as a general one early & requests that this fact may be communicated to Dr. Mookerji.

From the Registrar, Mysore University

No. 2150 dt. 7.9.21

With reference to the above, submits for the consideration of Govt. the resignation of Dr. Mookerji of his appt. in the University & conveys the opinion of the Vice-chancellor that the University cannot but suffer detriment to its best interests in losing his services.

May perhaps be specially considered in Council at the next meeting

Sd

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1st Member
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The position created in the Cadre of Services. If we can keep on Professors we shall have to shut down on other but with the same time outside Govt. Cadres used as Teachers

Chancellor's view in the matter should be sent to us as an early settlement subject was. 15.9.21 HM

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 583rd *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the* 21st September *19* 21.

84. Subject. Clause v of the schedule.

Resignation tendered by Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji, Prof. of History, Maharaja's College, Mysore.

OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The resignation of Dr. Mookerji may be accepted.

Note:-
---- Re. a successor, the Vice Chancellor may be informed that, besides advertising, application may be made for the retransfer of the services of Prof. Krishnaswamiengar.

(Signed) M. Kantaraj Urs.

Dewan of Mysore.

"EXTRACT"

Chief Secretary to Government.

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Submitted with Extract of the Council Resolution

1st Member)

Subd. with a D.S.N. (Draft + Fair) Dewan)

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Submitted to His Highness.

I submit herewith a Final Note by the.....First.....
Member of Council on the subject of...resignation....
tendered by Dr. Radhakumud Mukerji, Professor
of History, Maharaja's College, Mysore,
for His Highness' gracious approval.

Dewan.

25th Sept. 1921

Final Note by the First Member of Council.

Subject:— *Resignation tendered by Dr.Radhakumud Mukerji, Professor of History, Maharaja's College, Mysore.*

M *In accordance with the orders of His Highness the Maharaja dated the 19th August 1921, the Registrar, Mysore University was informed that the Government proposed taking up the question of encouraging research work on the part of University Professors and also giving them greater independence and freedom and he was re-*

N *quested to ascertain if in those circumstances, Dr.Mukerji would be prepared to defer his request for the transfer of his services to the Lucknow University.*

In reply, the Registrar, in his letter dated the 25th August

L *1921, intimated the condition under which Dr.Mukerji would be willing to stay in Mysore, the most important of which is that he should be given a personal allowance of Rs.300 in encouragement of research work already accomplished by him. The Vice-Chancellor, however, offered an alternative, viz., that Dr.Mukerji might be given a personal allowance of only Rs.200.*

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The matter was considered in Council on the 1st September and

K *in accordance with the opinion of the Council, the Registrar was requested to inform Dr.Mukerji that the question of improving the status of University Professors will be taken up by Government as a general one early as soon as proposals in that respect are received from the Vice-Chancellor.*

P.V.D. *In reply, the Registrar has submitted the resignation of Dr. Mukerji of his appointment of Professor in the Mysore University with the opinion of the Vice-Chancellor that the University cannot but suffer detriment to its best interests in losing his*

services.

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When the papers came before me, I recorded the following opinion - "Seen. The position disclosed in this correspondence is serious. If we cannot keep our professors, we shall have to shut down all departments; but at the same time, outside offers cannot be used as levers"

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The matter was thereupon considered in Council and the Council are of opinion that the resignation of Dr.Mukerji may be accepted.

The opinion of the Council may be graciously approved. Necessary steps will be taken to secure a suitable successor in due course.

24th Sept. 1921.

MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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31. All urgent or confidential files returned with His Highness' orders may, in the absence of instructions or indications to the contrary, be ordinarily circulated to the Members of Council for perusal after the issue of orders.

33. The Secretaries concerned should see that orders in the cases referred to above are issued at once and that the files are returned immediately after to the Chief Secretary for circulation to the Members.

34. In all other cases, the files will first be circulated to the Members of Council at headquarters and then sent to the Secretariat concerned for the issue of orders.

Circulated to the Members of Council for perusal of His Highness' orders ~~before~~ after * issue of orders. (*Vide* Rules 31, 33 and 34 of the Subsidiary Rules for the conduct of business of Council in the Manual of Council Rules and Procedure.)

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Chief Secretary to Govt.

Through the Secretary to Government,

....Department.

FIRST MEMBER OF COUNCIL 2.10

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THIRD MEMBER OF COUNCIL.
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6	To the Regr Mysore University Comptroller No 1852-3 of 30-9-21. Accepts the resignation of Dr Mukerji
7	To the Regr Mysore Univ 1862 of 30-9-21. Requests him to make an application to the Madras University for the transfer of the services of Professor Krishna Iyengar in addition to advertising the vacancy

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No. 803.

Office of the Mysore University,

Dated Mysore, 28th July *192* 1.

FROM

V. SUBRAHMANYA IYER, Esq., B.A.,
Offg. Registrar, Mysore University,
Mysore.

To

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Departments of Education and
Agriculture, BANGALORE.

Sir,

I am directed to state that in his letter No.594/28-1921 dated the 20th June 1921 the Registrar of the Lucknow University intimated that it was proposed to appoint Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji, Professor, Mysore University, as Reader in Indian History and Politics in the Lucknow University, on probation for a period of two years in the first instance, and wished to know if there was any objection to that appointment, and also if there was likely to be any difficulty in Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji's joining the appointment on the 18th July 1921. The subject was considered by the University Council at the meeting held on the 30th June 1921 when it was resolved that a copy of the letter be sent to Dr. Mookerji for

The Vice-Chancellor is strongly of opinion that for the reasons given below the severance of Dr. Mookerji's connection with this University will be detrimental to its best interests.

(1) Dr. Mookerji has during the four years of his connection with this University brought out a number of works relating to Indian History and Culture which have elicited the admiration not only of Orientalists and Indologists but also of such high authorities in matters of Polity and Political History as Lord Bryce and Lord Haldane.

As Dr. Mookerji is a prolific writer, he may be expected to continue to reflect credit on this University by equally valuable additions to the Mysore University Historical Series.

(2) The Professor's intellectual output is also highly appreciated in British Universities, as is evident from the numerous adknowledgments which have been made and from the fact that the Academic Registrar of the London University has sent him a printed circular inviting applications for a Chair of History and Culture of the British Dominions in Asia with special reference to India, newly established in connection with the School of Oriental Studies in that University.

(3) Dr. Mookerji is now the only member of the teaching staff in Arts at this University, who has any published work to his credit of widely recognised merit in the world of letters. His departure would be a blow to the prestige of this University, for it is the association with a University of men of proved capacity for original investigations that gives it its position in the Commonwealth of Learning, and this is especially true of an infant University like that of Mysore

struggling for recognition and for reciprocity in the matter of Courses and degrees.

(4) Higher teaching, especially in the Post-graduate and Honours Stages, cannot be sound, fruitful or progressive unless it receives continual accessions of life and vigour from the teacher's direct personal relations with Truth, as a Seeker or pioneer. Other Indian Universities, e.g. Madras under Mr. Gilbert Slater, Allahabad under Mr. Jevons, Calcutta under Mr. Bijoy Chandra Majumdar, Bombay under Dr. Mann, Patna under Messrs. Jadunath Sarkar and Sarat Chandra Roy, have made their mark in the study of Indian Economic and Social Institutions and Environments as well as of vernacular literature and languages, but there is a deadness and apathy prevailing here, in regard to such studies, which, if not now checked, will bring on premature decadence and decay.

Accordingly in the absence of any reasonable prospect of replacing Dr. Mookerji by a teacher of the necessary calibre and standing, the Vice-Chancellor would strongly recommend that an effort should be made to retain Dr. Mookerji's services, - services which are as much in the cause of Indian Culture - history and of world-history in general, as in the best interests of this University, and which, therefore, ought to be peculiarly the business of a modern Indian University to organise and place on a secure foundation.

Either of the two following Courses is now open :-

I. Other Indian Universities - whether the parent institutions or the new offshoots - have established University Chairs on a sufficiently liberal scale of equipment and emoluments to attract the best men

from all parts of India. It will be necessary in this University, in the near future to found several University Chairs, in the proper sense of the term, for researches in Science as well as in Arts and Humanities, especially such studies as are germane to this region and to the exploitation of all its cultural resources, material or moral, and may be particularly called for in the development of Indian Culture or in the interests of India's contributions to the World's progress. Unless steps are taken to provide real University Chairs for men of proved and signal capacity for original contributions, the University of Mysore will carry little weight and influence in the Indian or foreign academic world, and its beneficence will be seriously crippled. We may begin by endowing, on the Arts side, a University Chair of Indian History and Culture for organising and carrying on research as well as for training Mysore graduates for this work in the Post-graduate Department. The Professor will also deliver a course in Indian History and Culture, consisting of a stipulated number of lectures, and, by the conditions of his appointment, should be under an obligation to publish his University lectures at least once in three years. The course of lectures will cover portions of the B.A. and M.A. Syllabuses, but it is essential to note that a University Professor appointed under this Scheme will work directly under the Vice-Chancellor and in entire independence of the Head of the College concerned. The time-table and other details concerning the class lectures of the University Professor will be arranged by the Principal of the College ~~concerned~~ in consultation with the Vice-Chancellor. Without an arrangement like this, the best men in the field might be repelled from Mysore.

Keeping in view the arrangements that obtain in the Indian Universities recently established, and also the existing position in Mysore, the Vice-Chancellor would recommend that a salary of Rs.1000-50-1250 per mensem should be attached to the Chair, and that Dr. Mookerji should be offered the Chair on such starting pay as may be considered desirable.

The Vice-Chancellor desires to state in this connection that, in his opinion, the principles of a graded service based on regular promotion by seniority (or seniority combined with considerations of merit) are inapplicable to the organisation of higher teaching and research in a University and are obsolete under modern conditions, and that it is high time to introduce here the system that now obtains of appointments made ad hoc to particular Chairs on defined conditions of work and (preferably) on tenures of fixed terms, The existing Service organisation, properly administered, may work in the case of College tutors and lecturers, who are sometimes styled Professors.

II. Or, so long as University Chairs in the above sense are not established, it may be desirable to attain the same end partially by a method, less systematic and more elastic, which has been sometimes adopted by other governments (and Scientific bodies) for promoting particular kind of research. Special allowances for such work may be granted to those members of the University who distinguish themselves by original contributions of widely recognised merit in approved fields of study. Here, in Mysore, the University may provide such an allowance for research in Indian History and Culture, including under this head the carrying on (and the organising) ~~direction~~ of such research as well as the training of

of Mysore graduates for such work in the Post-graduate department. Similar allowances may be given for valuable work done in other fields, whether in Science or in Arts and Humanities. An adequate monthly allowance granted to Dr.Mookerji under defined conditions of work may not only be the means of retaining his services for this University but also serve as an 'endowment of research' in a field which ought to be the heritage of an Indian University. And indeed Dr. Mookerji's work has touched Mysore and its history more closely still. The numismatic collections of the State are being examined under his direction, and in course of time it may be possible to extend this work. The late Registrar, Mr. Denham, the Vice-Chancellor learns, was of opinion that the Archaeological Survey should be treated as a department of the University for research work. This may be done when a sufficient number of Mysore graduates have been trained by the Professor.

In placing the above proposals before the Government, the Vice-Chancellor desires me to add that the Lucknow University has been pressing for an early reply, and it is desirable that whatever decision the Government may arrive at may be communicated to the Vice-Chancellor of the Lucknow University so that he may be free to make necessary arrangements in time.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Registrar.

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Letter No. 594/Vc of 1921 dated the 20th June 1921 from the Registrar, Lucknow University to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

I am directed to inform you that it is proposed to appoint Dr. Radha Kumud Mukerji of your University as Reader in Indian History and head of the department of Indian History and Politics in the Lucknow University on a salary of Rs.800/- per mensem, in the grade of Rs. 500-50-800. The appointment will, in the first instance, be on probation for a period of two years.

2. Employees of the University drawing a salary of Rs.40 per mensem or upwards will be obliged to contribute 8 per cent of the salary to the Lucknow University Provident Fund, and the University, on its part, will contribute thereto 12 per cent of the subscriber's salary.

3. As the first session of the University will commence on the 18th July, 1921, I should be obliged by your kindly informing me at an early date if there is any objection to this appointment, and if there is likely to be any difficulty in Dr. Radha Kumud Mukerji's joining the appointment on the above date.

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Registrar.

D.O. letter dated the 25th July 1921 from Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji. M.A., Ph.D., to the Registrar, Mysore University.

I am in receipt of your D.O. No. 71 of the 15th instant. In reply, I beg to explain my intentions as follows;-

The Lucknow University have offered to me the Headship of the Department of Indian History and Politics. This implies an improvement in my status, and conditions of work, which I have not been enjoying here. I shall also work there directly under the Vice-Chancellor with considerable initiative and independance left to me in designing and directing the work of my Department both on the sides of teaching and of research. Here I am occupying a very subordinate position, having to work as a mere College Professor under the dictation of a Principal who in the present instance, happens to be considerably my junior in academic standing and experience. But this of itself would not have been of much consequence. The situation however becomes rather trying when one has to serve immediately under an official superior who is ever anxious to interfere, to domineer, and to humiliate.

I beg leave further to add that the Lucknow University lay greater stress upon, and allow greater facilities for original investigations and researches. The highest academic authorities indeed, hold that the efficiency of teaching depends very largely upon active and strenuous research work in advancement of the subjects taught. But our present Principal is unfortunately wedded to the opposite view, and from his official position, can always press that view, with the result that research work has practically to be carried on here as a private hobby in an uncongenial atmosphere in the face of greatest apathy and discouragement.

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Registrar.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Meeting of the University Council held on the 30th June 1921.

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38. Letter No.594 dated the 20th June 1921 from the Registrar, Lucknow University, proposing to appoint Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji, M.A., Ph.D., Professor, Maharaja's College, Mysore, as Reader in Indian History, in the Lucknow University on a salary of Rs.800/- per mensem.

RESOLVED that the letter be sent to Dr. Mookerji for information.

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Registrar.

D.O.Letter dated the 5th July 1921 From Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji, M.A., Ph.D., to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

With reference to the kind proposal of the University of Lucknow as communicated in your letter No. 52 of yesterday's date, I beg humbly to state that, under the present conditions of my work, I should like, if permitted, to accept it, especially because:-

(1) hopes have been held out of creating for me next year a higher post on a minimum salary of Rs. 1000/- per month with 12% of the salary to be added as contribution to the Provident Fund, as an earnest of which the Readership for me would even now mean the Headship of the Department of Indian History and Politics.

(2) special facilities will be allowed for research work and

(3) my own appointment has been very generously coupled with that of my younger brother as Professor of Economics and Head of the Department of Economics and Sociology.

If I may be permitted to make a personal reference in this connection, I on my part have tried my best to deserve well of the Mysore University, and during my nearly four years' service of this University, I have apart from my teaching work, been able to produce at least four works in advancement of the subjects of my teaching, viz., (1) the first edition of "Local Government in Ancient India" (2) the second edition, nearly double the size the first edition, of the same work (3) Nationalism in Hindu Culture just published in England as a volume in the series called The Asian Library in which it is given the place of honour (4) Annals of Indian Heroism placed in the hands of Government more than two years ago and now being published by them.

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Registrar.

My

Opinion of Rao Bahadur, Mr. M.C. Ranga Iyengar, B.A.
Dt 9.7.1921

Dr. Mookerji's departure from Mysore will be a serious loss both to the University and to the public. I hope the Vice-Chancellor will see his way to persuading the Doctor to stay. The Council may move the Government to offer the necessary inducement to the Doctor to continue his connection with our University.

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M. Mahimaiya
Registrar.

D.O. Letter dated the 9th July 1921 from Sir Leslie C.Miller Kt., C.B.E., to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

I am for placing no impediment in Dr. Mukerji's way if he is satisfied that the appointment at Lucknow would suit him better than the one he holds. I do not know of any reason which could justify us in refusing to allow him to go, but I am not fully acquainted with the conditions and terms on which he accepted his present post. I see no use in keeping a man in office against his will, and I do not know that anything practicable can be done to make him change his mind.

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Registrar.

Letter No. Uni. 1/21-22 dated the 11th July 1921 from Mr. K. Chandy, B.A., to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

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With reference to your letter No. 195-205/Enc. Two dated 8th July 1921, I have the honor to state that I do not like the idea of the Mysore University being made a stepping stone for employment on higher pay elsewhere, and our Professors working for it; and in these circumstances, I am of opinion that the services of Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji, Professor of History, Maharaja's College, Mysore, cannot, in the best interests of the Mysore University be transferred to the Lucknow University. Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji may, of course, if he likes, be permitted to resign the Mysore Service.

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Registrar.

Letter No. 314 dated the 11th July 1921 from Dr. Leslie, C. Coleman, M.A., Ph.D., to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

Dr. Radha Kumud Mukerji - Proposal of the Lucknow University to appoint - as Reader in Indian History and Head of the Department of Indian History and Politics.

With reference to your letter No. 195-305 of 8th instant re. the above, I have the honour to state that I am agreeable to Dr. Radha Kumud Mukerji's being allowed to accept the appointment.

D.O. letter No. U.C. 18 dated the 11th July 1921 from Dr. Mylvaganam, F.R.C.S., to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

Reference:- Your letter No. 195-305 dated 8-7-21.

As we are unable to offer the pay now offered by the Lucknow University to Dr. Mookerji, we cannot do anything better than permitting him to resign.

Letter dated the 9th July 1921, from Mr. C.R. Reddy, M.A., to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

With reference to your letter No. 195-305 dated 8th July 1921, I am of opinion that Mr. Mukherji may be allowed to accept the appointment offered to him by the Lucknow University.

Letter dated the 9th July 1921 from Mr. N.S. Subba Rao, M.A.,

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Bar-at-Law., to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

With reference to your letter No. 195-205 dated the 8th instant, I have the honour to state that Dr. Mookerje may be permitted to leave the Mysore University and accept the appointment offered. I trust these successive resignations of gentlemen who were brought here on generous terms will induce the authorities to take immediate action to train brilliant local graduates for professorships in the University by giving them opportunities of advanced study abroad or elsewhere in India,

Dr. Mookerji, will, it is trusted, not leave Mysore Until arrangements are made for his work at the Maharaja's College,

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Registrar.

Opinion of Rajasabhabhushana Dewan Bahadur C. Srikantesvara Aiyar, B.A., B.L., dt 12.7.1921

We cannot afford to lose the services of a professor of Dr. Mukerji's stamp and enthusiasm; but as he is eager to go to Lucknow, we should not stand in his way.

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Registrar.

Opinion of Rajakaryaprasakta Rao Bahadur

Mr. M. Shama Rao, M.A., dated the 12th July 1921.

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I have no objection to allow Mr. Mookerji to go especially as he seems anxious to go

(Sd) M. Shama Rao

" C o p y "

Registrar.

D.O. Letter dated the 16th July 1921 from Mr. F.L. Usher, B.Sc. to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

With reference to your letter No. 195-205 dated 8th July 1921, regarding the proposal of the Lucknow University to appoint ---- Dr. Radha Kumud Mookerji as Reader in Indian History etc., I am of opinion that he should be permitted to apply for the appointment.

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Registrar.

D.O. letter dated the 17th July 1931 from Mr. K.R. Seshachar, B.A., B.E., C.E., to the Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

Your letter No. 195-205 dated the 15th July 1931 in connection with Dr. Radha Kumud Mookerji's letter requesting permission to accept the post of Reader etc. in the Lucknow University.

I am of opinion that Dr. Mookerji's request may be granted.

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Edn A No 979/CB. 81-4-2 Dated 23rd Aug. 1921.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No.803 dated the 28th July 1921 regarding the transfer of Dr. Mookerji's services to the Lucknow University, I am desired to state that the Government propose taking up ~~immediately~~ very early the questions of encouraging research work on the part of University Professors on the lines indicated in para III at page 5 of your letter and also of giving the Professors greater independence and freedom in regard to their work. I am to ask whether in these circumstances Dr. Mookerji would be prepared to ~~xxxxxx~~ defer his request for a transfer of his services

Sd/ K. Mallan 23.8.21.

Yours sincerely,

V. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq. B.A.
Registrar, Mysore University.

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D. O. No. 251

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

OFFICE OF THE MYSORE UNIVERSITY,

DATED MYSORE, 25th AUGUST 1921.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O. No.979/C.B. dated the 23rd August 1921, I am directed by the Vice-Chancellor to state that the substance of the letter was communicated to Dr. Mookerji who, in a confidential reply, explains his position as follows :-

(1) He will, if he joins the Lucknow University, be the Head of the Department of Indian History and Politics on a salary of Rs.800/- + Rs.96 (Provident Fund contribution) which he expects to be raised within July next year to Rs.1000 (+120) -50-1200 (+144) (the grade to which his youngest brother has been already appointed).

(2) The Lucknow appointment will also mean to him certain other material advantages due, chiefly, to the nearness of the place to his home, and the opportunity of keeping a common house with his youngest brother.

(3) These present and prospective advantages he cannot forego, unless the terms and conditions of his work at Mysore, are proportionately improved by the grant of an increment to his salary of Rs.300/- as a personal allowance in encouragement of the research work already accomplished by him. He is prepared to wait for sanction of other conditions regarding his work as referred to by Government in their letter.

In consideration of these provisions he agrees, apart

from his teaching work, to make over to the University one work at least every three years for publication and to train selected Mysore graduates for research work in Indian History and Culture.

(4) He prays that, in view of the fact that the Lucknow University asked for his services as early as 30th June last, and has already sent several reminders on the suoject, Government will be pleased to communicate their decision by the end of this month, so that the parties concerned may be relieved of their suspense on the matter and his own interests and prospects may not suffer by reason of any further delay.

I am further to state that, in view of the proposals of Government in the letter under reply and also of the above statement of Dr. Mookerji, the Vice-Chancellor thinks that either of the two following courses may be adopted :--

(1) that in consideration of the allowance of Rs.300/- claimed by Dr. Mookerji, special research work, with necessary facilities and assistance, may be assigned to him in connection with numismatics, the revision of the historical portion of the Gazetteer as already proposed, and the like. This will be in addition to the Research work in Indian History and Culture under conditions of publication and the training of Mysore graduates to which he has referred in the foregoing explanation.

Or (2) in the alternative, he may be given a personal allowance of Rs.200/- only, in addition to his pay, on the express understanding that he will make over to the University one work for publication every three years and that he will train up selected Mysore graduates for research work.

Yours sincerely,

M. Mahimaraja Urs

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,
Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Departments of Education and Agriculture,
BANGALORE.

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General and Revenue Secretariat,
Dated Bangalore, the 3rd September '21

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O. letter No. 251 of the 25th August 1921 on the subject of the improvement of Dr.Mookerji's position, I am desired to say that the questions referred to in my D.O. letter No.979/C.R. of the 23rd idem will be taken up by Government as a general one as soon as the proposals of the Vice-Chancellor in regard to the re-grading, etc. of Professors called for in this office D.O letter No.10818 of the 9th May 1921, are received. I am to request that this may be communicated to Dr. Mookerji.

Yours sincerely,

V.Subrahmanya Iyer, Esq., B.A.,
Registrar, Mysore University, Mysore.

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Office of the Mysore University,

Dated Mysore, 7th September *1921.*

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FROM

V. SUBRAHMANYA IYER, Esq., B.A.,
Offg. Registrar, Mysore University,
Mysore.

To

K. Matthan, Esq., B.A.,
Offg. Chief Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with your D.O. letter No. 1360/C.B. dated 30 Sept 21 regarding the transfer of the services of Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji to the University of Lucknow, I am directed to submit herewith his resignation of his appointment in this University, for the kind consideration of Government. He will be relieved at an early date, on receipt of the orders of Government.

The Vice-Chancellor desires to state in this connect: that the University developments which are proceeding somewhat rapidly all over India have been attracting and absorbing the best talents available, which is having and will continue to have the effect of leaving to this University, in the absence of special efforts to the contrary, the alternative of having to choose the substitutes from men of second rate abilities, much below the standard of a University Professoriate, a circumstance so detrimental to the efficiency, progress as well as prestige of a University.

I am further directed to bring to the notice of Government the present situation in this University, brought on by the successive resignations of Professors of the Departments of Commerce, Philosophy and History coupled with the inability, actual or prospective, of the University to find equally competent successors. This circumstance has been tending to lower the standard of important departments in the University, which might materially affect the recognition of degrees as well as reciprocity as between this University and other Universities.

The Vice-Chancellor, therefore, reiterates his opinion that this University, in the present circumstances, cannot but suffer detriment to its best interests in losing the services of a man of Dr. Mookerji's academic distinction, scholarship and standing.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Venkatramanya Iyer

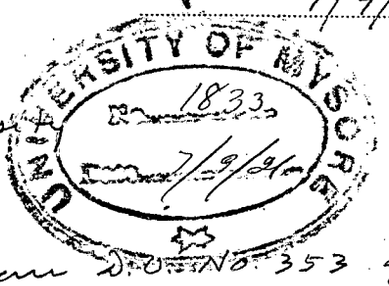
REGISTRAR.

LDO.

DR. RADHAKUMUD MOOKERJI, M.A., PH.D.,
UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR.

MYSORE,

7/9/ 1921.



To
The Registrar, Mysore University

Dear sir,

With reference to your D.O. No. 353 of the 5th instant, I deeply regret to state that in the circumstances already explained, I find myself unable to defer the request for transfer of my services to the Lucknow University.

I beg to request that you will kindly arrange for my release as early as possible, considering that the first notice on the subject was given to you by the Lucknow University in their letter of 20th June last, and by myself also immediately afterwards.

Yours sincerely
RK Mookerji

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore.

Read:-

Jorrespondence ending with letter No.2150 dated 7th September 1921 from the Registrar, Mysore University, forwarding for the orders of Government the resignation of Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji. M.A., Ph.D., Professor of Ancient History Maharaja's College of his appointment in the University.

O R D E R No. C 1852-3/EB 81-21-6

Dated. (Camp) Mysore. 30th September 1921.

Government accept the resignation tendered by Dr. Mukerji. He may be relieved as early as possible.

Offg. Chief Secretary to Govt.

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The Registrar, Mysore University.
" Comptroller, Mysore Government.

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Diary No. of letter replied to

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 30/9/21

Signed by

Section CB
File No. 87-21
Serial No

D.O. No.

To

The Regr. Mysore University

Dear Sir,

~~Sir~~ Sanction

With reference to G.O. No. 1852-3/CB 87-21 dt 30/9/21 accepting the resignation of Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji I am desired to state that in addition to ~~request and to be so good as to make arrangements~~ to advertise the vacancy ~~and call for applications from eligible candidates, inter alia~~ to take up application may also the name to the place. Municipal Act may also the matter ~~to be taken to apply~~ for the retransfer over.

No. C 1862/CB.81-21-7 9.30.9.21

Dear Sir,

With reference to Govt. Order No. C 1852-3/CB.81-21 dated 30th September 21 accepting the resignation of Dr. Radhakumud Mookerji, I am desired to state that in addition to advertising the vacancy, application may also be made to the Madras University for the retransfer of the services of Professor Krishnaswamiengar.

Yours sincerely,

V. Subrahmanya Iyer, Esqr., B.A.,
Registrar, University of Mysore,
Mysore.